# FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.517**

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TO: The Honorable Hugh Leatherman, Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

ANALYSTS: Allan Kincaid

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AUTHOR: Senator Davis PRIMARY CODE CITE: Joint Resolution

SUBJECT: Agency Fees and Fines

## ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

# ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES: See Below

### **BILL SUMMARY:**

Senate Bill 517 prohibit state agencies, departments or entities from increasing or implementing a fee for performing a service or function, or a civil penalty or fine without the specific approval by the General Assembly.

## **EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

Enactment of the Bill would have no direct impact on the General Fund of the State. The Bill would limit agencies' ability to increase fees and fines without explicit approval of the General Assembly which could have an indirect impact on other funds revenue and expenditures.

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

### **SPECIAL NOTES:**

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Section (B) of the Bill states the provisions of this section do not apply to any fees or charges made by schools or colleges to students of the institution for activities or materials provided or furnished to those students. This provision may prohibit the colleges and universities from raising tuition without approval from the General Assembly.

Approved by:

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